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To: State Directors

From: Director, Office of Fire and Aviation

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The Department of the Interior has made significant advances in the areas of fire prevention and education in recent years, thanks to field interest, support, cooperative group participation and innovative state/local programs. Due to these proactive prevention efforts, DOI has become a leader in progressive prevention program analysis, planning, education and development.

It is appropriate that we acknowledge and reward those individuals and/or groups that continue to provide outstanding achievement in the fire prevention and education arena. Attached is the USDA Forest Service (FS) cover memo and nomination form for the annual 1998 National Smokey Bear Awards.

Please review the criteria for these prestigious national awards and complete a nomination form for those individuals/groups that qualify. DOI nominations should be submitted on the attached

form (Attachment 2) to the appropriate FS Regional Fire Prevention Coordinator (Attachment 3). Nominations should be forwarded to the Center Of Excellence (COE) by the Forest Service Coordinators and received by the COE no later than November 20, 1998.

If you have any questions on this IB or the Smokey Bear Awards, please call Pat Durland at 208-387-5162.

Signed by:
Lee F. Englesby
Director, Office of Fire and Aviation
(Acting)

Authenticated by:
Pat Lewis
Supervisory Mgmt. Asst.

3 - Attachments

- 1 - Memo from Forest Service (2 pp.)
- 2 - Nomination Form (3 pp.)
- 3 - List of Regional Coordinators (2 pp.)

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SUBJECT: Nominations for National Smokey Bear Awards

DATE: October 19, 1998

REPLY DUE NOVEMBER 20, 1998

The national Smokey Bear Awards sponsored by the USDA Forest Service, the National Association of State Foresters, and The Advertising Council, are presented to recognize organizations and/or individuals for outstanding service in wildfire prevention, and through that recognition increase public awareness of the need for continuing fire prevention efforts.

As in the past, all three groups vote on the qualified nominations. The State Foresters get four votes, and the Forest Service and the Advertising Council get one vote each.

The Nominations for the 1998 Gold, Silver, and Bronze Smokey Bear Awards are due by the close of business on November 20, 1998. The nomination categories are:

Gold Smokey Bear Award: Awarded to organizations and/or individuals who have provided sustained outstanding service in wildfire prevention at the national level for at least two years (maximum of three awards annually).

Silver Smokey Bear Award: Awarded to organizations and/or individuals who have provided sustained outstanding service in wildfire prevention at the regional level (multi-state) for at least two years (maximum of five awards annually).

Bronze Smokey Bear Award: Awarded to organizations and/or individuals who have provided sustained outstanding service in wildfire prevention at the statewide level for at least two years (maximum of ten awards annually).

All three award levels are the highest level recognition possible, the only difference being geographical sphere of the nominated work.

Selection Criteria:

- Activities must be complete and not in the planning or development stage.
- Activities must demonstrate success in the geographical area for which nominated.
- Service should be beyond the normal scope of the nominee's job.

The attached nomination forms should be completed. Note that the nomination form has been modified from years past. Nominations must clearly show fulfillment of the selection criteria. Changes on the form are highlighted in bold. Attach newspaper and magazine clippings, photographs, and any other supporting material to the form. Please note, the Selections Committee can only base their decisions upon the information provided. Therefore, it is important that the nominations be explicit in explaining what the nominee did to earn the award (over what period of time). It is up to you to assure that the nominations submitted are reviewed and complete.

All nominations must be submitted to the Regional FS Prevention Coordinator (Regional Coordinator list enclosed) in your area who will forward the nominations that meet the selection criteria to the Selections Committee for consideration.

Any nomination that is not submitted through this method will be returned to the nominator for the proper processing. If you have questions on how to handle the nominations, please direct them to Dianne Daley Laursen at (651)-296-6006.

Regional Coordinators should forward completed nomination packages to:

Dianne Daley Laursen
Manager, Center of Excellence for
Smokey Bear, Woodsy Owl, Junior Forest Ranger
c/o MN DNR Division of Forestry
500 Lafayette Road
Saint Paul, MN 55155-4044

Nominations must be received by Dianne by November 20, 1998. Nominations received after November 20, 1998 will not be reviewed this year. I look forward to many excellent nominations for these three award categories.

On behalf of the Selections Committee,
/s/ Dianne Daley Laursen
Manager Center of Excellence

Patrick Goggin
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1-2

SMOKEY BEAR AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE

Full Name (as it should appear on the award):

Title: _____

Agency or
Business: _____

Business

Address: _____

(Street)(City)(State)(Zip)

Telephone: _____

E-Mail _____

Is the nominee aware of this nomination? YES or NO

If not, is it to remain confidential? YES or NO

NOMINATED BY

Group Nominations are allowed: please give the following information for the primary contact.

Full
Name(s): _____

Title(s): _____ Agency: _____

Business _____

Address: _____

(Street)(City)(State)(Zip)

Telephone:_____

E-Mail:_____

Affiliation to fire prevention program
(if any)_____

If more than one nominator, indicate primary contact:

NOMINATOR MUST NOTIFY THE NOMINEES SUPERVISOR OF THE AWARD.

NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF

SUPERVISOR_____

DID THE SUPERVISOR CONCUR WITH THE AWARD

NOMINATION?_____

IF NOT, WHY

NOT?_____

TYPE OF AWARD NOMINATED FOR:

(IF THE NOMINEE HAS PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED A NATIONAL AWARD, THE
NOMINATOR MUST CLEARLY DISTINGUISH, NEW WORK TO BE RECOGNIZED
VERSUS PREVIOUSLY RECOGNIZED WORK)

PAST SMOKEY AWARDS RECEIVED, INCLUDING CITATIONS:

ATTACH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE RENDERED: 750
words or less. Please indicate beginning and ending dates of projects or activities,
full and accurate names of projects, events, organizations, outside agencies, etc.

ATTACH NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE CLIPPINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS, AND ANY OTHER RELATED MATERIALS. If photos are unclear, provide description and relevance of item.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

This requirement is above and beyond the project narrative described above.

- 1) Activities complete and not in the development stage - two years of successful implementation.
- 2) Activities must demonstrate success in the geographical area for which nominated. (Remember each award is the highest recognition within a geographic area, a Bronze is as prestigious as a Gold within its geographic scope.)
- 3) Service should be beyond the normal scope of the nominees' job. (If the nominee has a position in fire prevention or a related field, clearly state and demonstrate the activity/project above and beyond the nominees' position description/responsibilities.)

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

- Regional Coordinators will be responsible for award ceremonies and other appropriate recognition for all Bronze and Silver nominees within their region.
- The USDA Forest Service, with agreement by the Selections Committee, will be responsible for coordinating all Gold Award recipient recognition ceremonies.
- State Foresters will be notified by Regional Coordinators of all award winners and award ceremonies within their state, and will be provided the opportunity to participate in award ceremonies.

Regional Forest Fire Prevention Coordinators

REGION 1- John Pritchard (*jwpritchard/r1*)

USDA Forest Service
Aviation and Fire Management
Federal Building, PO Box 7669
Missoula, MT 59807
406-329-3401
Fax- 406-329-3132

REGION 2- Karen Bergethon (*kbergethon/r2*)

USDA Forest Service
Fire Protection Specialist
1920 Valley Drive
Pueblo, CO 81008
719-585-3785
Fax- 719-543-8926

REGION 3- Rick Reitz (*rreitz/r3*)

USDA Forest Service
Aviation and Fire Management
517 Gold Avenue, SW
Albuquerque, NM 87102
505-842-3894
Fax- 505-842-3801

REGION 4- Jeannette Hartog (*jhartog/r4*)

USDA Forest Service
Fire, Aviation, and Air Management
324 25th Street
Ogden, UT 84401
801-625-5245
Fax-801-625-5483

REGION 5- Nancy Porter (*nporter/r5,fire*)

USDA Forest Service
Aviation and Fire Management
3735 Neely Way
Mather, CA 95655
916-364-2855
Fax- 916-364-2810

Billy Jack Terry (*bterry/wo*)

National Fire Prevention / Coop Fire
USFS / Washington Office
201 14th Street
Washington, D. C. 20250
202-205-1503
Fax- 202-205-1271

REGION 6- Dewey Tate (*dtate/r6pnw*)

USDA Forest Service / DOI-BLM
Aviation and Fire Management
333 S. W. 1st Avenue, PO Box 3623
Portland, OR 97208
503-808-2368
Fax-503-808-2586

REGION 8- Bill Sweet (*wsweet/r8*)

USDA Forest Service
Aviation and Fire Management
c / o Alabama Forestry Commission
Suite G, Room 125
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Birmingham, AL 35209
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REGION 9- Fire Prevention Specialist

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Aviation and Fire Management
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Milwaukee, WI 53203
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NORTHEAST AREA- Juanita Stanton (*jstanton/na*)

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Fire Protection
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Radnor, PA 19087
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REGION 10- Kelly Kane (*kkane/r10,chugach*)

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State and Private Forestry
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Regional Forest Fire Prevention Coordinators

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